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## CAP Chaplain Major Deborah Prosser

**Presentation** 

Chaplain Prosser gave a very interesting interactive lecture on

The 5 'P's;

### Prioritize, Planning, Prevent-Poor-Performance.

Another subject discussed was....My Word My Bond; Making Choices, Juggling Commitments. One of the questions discussed was....As a leader in CAP, How can you avoid making promises that you may be unable to keep? Good discussion followed. We look forward to seeing the Good Chaplain again soon.

### From Commander David Jadwin, Lt Col, NCS

### To NCS Senior Staff

We are in need of a Driver (or two) to take cadets to encampment.

### **Requirements:**

- Current CAP Driver's License
- Ability to take on van from Las Vegas to San Luis Obispo on Saturday, 8 Aug. Estimated departure – 0600.
- The drivers will return the same day or on the next day in a CAP mini van.

Please let me know if you can assist ASAP!

Thank you!!

### Lt Col Jay Roberts, NCOS INSTRUCTOR

## National Cadet Officer School 2009 Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base Montgomery, Alabama



The Cadet Officers began arriving at Maxwell Air Force Base during the midmorning on Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. Each Cadet Officer completed "In-Processing" which included; their medical review, course materials, class schedules, flight assignments, and room assignments. Following "In-Processing" Cadets participated in one of the several Cadet Executive Officer Briefings conducted by C/Col Odierno and C/Lt Col Matissek. Each briefing was designed to advise COS students of

applicable rules, regulations, expectations, etc. pertaining to the school and base protocols. Following In-Processing and the evening meal, the Cadet Officer School Director, Lt Col Michael Foster, CAP and the Co-Director, Lt Col Steve Governale, USAF, conducted a formal welcoming in the Rick Husband Auditorium.



Over the next nine days, the Cadet **Officers** attended lectures "Leadership and Ethics", "Strategic Planning", "Innovation and Creativity", "Leadership Psychology", "Leadership and Followership", "Speaking and Writing Effectively", "The Evolution of Air Power", "The Evolution of Space Power", and "Small Unit Leadership" conducted by some of the top nationally known speakers. Each lecture was then followed up with Seminars conducted by the designated Civil Air Patrol Officer and Air Force Officer assigned

to each flight. In addition, there were three speaking assignments, nine writing assignments, and one comprehensive written exam that had to be completed by each Cadet Officer over the nine days of instruction. As well, there were a number of TLP's (Team Leadership Problems) or simulated exercises designed to test the Cadet Officers' ability to put the knowledge and skills they had learned into practice.

#### VOLLEYBALL

Each evening, the Cadet Officer Flights competed in Volleyball matches designed to enhance their physical fitness, experience team building, and practice leadership techniques. As of one of the Cadet Officers observed after the second volleyball match; "This isn't just a volleyball game is it?"





### **PROJECT X**

Their final test of team work, problem solving, and leadership came in the form of "Project X". During the early morning hours of Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup> ten flights of 12 Cadet Officers each began their journey to that special place on the grounds of Offices Training School. Each of these exercises provided the flights with the opportunity to compete against each other using the individual and collective skills they had learned during school. (I can't give you any additional details as "Project X" is classified.)

### **FINALLY - GRADUATION**

The Graduation Dinner was held at the historical Maxwell Air Force Base Officers Club. As we walked

through the halls, looked at the pictures on the walls and marveled at the contents of the historical memorabilia, we couldn't stop thinking about the many Army Air Corps and Air Force aviation pioneers who had once walked through these very halls. The dinner was held in the Grand Ballroom and was attended by Maj Gen Amy Courtier, National Commander - Civil Air Patrol, Brig Gen Teresa Djuric, USAF, Commander - Holm Center at Maxwell Air Force Base, and numerous other Civil Air Patrol and United States Air Force dignitaries. Following a fine meal, the evening was concluded as the flights were called up and each member received their graduation certificate.





The following morning, commencing at 0330, the first Cadet Officers began "Out-processing", bidding farewell to new friends and heading home with many experiences to share with their home squadrons. There is a reason the Cadet Officer School's motto, taken from Michelangelo, is:

"Ancora Imparo" meaning "I am still learning."



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| Sunday     | Monday     | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday     | Saturday  |
|------------|------------|--|------------|------------|------------|---|
|            |            |  |            |            |            | 1<br>12p NCS Cadet<br>Staff Training                    |
| 2          | 3          | 4<br>6:30p Monthly<br>Supply run<br>6:30p Weekly<br>Meeting      | 5          | 6          | 7          | 8 Monthly NCS Unit Training Activity Encampment SLO, CA |
| 9          | 10         | 11   | 12         | 13         | 14         | 15  |
| Encampment | Encampment | Encampment<br>6:30p Weekly<br>Meeting                            | Encampment | Encampment | Encampment | Encampment  |
| 16         | 17         | 18<br>5:30p<br>Achievement<br>Testing<br>6:30p Weekly<br>Meeting | 19         | 20         | 21         | 22  |
| 23         | 24         | 25<br>6:30p Weekly<br>Meeting                                    | 26         | 27         | 28         | 29<br>8a NRA<br>Qualification<br>Firearms<br>Training   |
| 30         | 31         |  |            |            |            |   |